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### **PPPs for Infrastructure in Asia Pacific: Global Challenges and Constraints MP3IC Knowledge Sharing Symposium**

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#### **Introduction**

The **Australian APEC Study Centre at RMIT University** and the **Cities Development Initiative Asia (CDIA)** are pleased to host the **MP3IC Knowledge Sharing Symposium** entitled '**PPPs for Infrastructure in Asia Pacific: Global Challenges and Constraints**'. The symposium will be held on 16 and 17 December 2009 in Manila, Philippines, with a number of video links offered at selected cities across the Asia-Pacific region, including to Indonesia, China, Thailand, Vietnam and Australia.

The symposium is being organised in collaboration with the *Asian Development Bank Institute* and the *Asian Development Bank*, in close coordination with their *MP3IC Partners*, including the *World Bank Institute (WBI)*, the *World Bank (WB)* and the *InterAmerican Development Bank - Multilateral Investment Fund (IADB-MIF)*. The event is a joint project of the Australian APEC Study Centre at RMIT University, the Cities Development Initiative Asia, and the Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PCCI).

In addition, a number of important development and private sector partner organisations will participate by video link, including the OECD Partnerships for Democratic Governance, the American National PPP Association, and Partnerships Victoria (Australia), as well as a host of PPP experts representing private sector interests globally.

We welcome your participation and active involvement.

Sincerely,

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## Purpose

To profile and share pragmatic details of global PPPI practices and lessons learned with PPPI policymakers and program managers in order to: (i) advance PPPI policy agendas and accelerate private sector investment and participation; and (ii) improve the design and implementation of PPP programs/projects to achieve greater access and more cost effective infrastructure service delivery in ADB DMCs and developing countries globally.

## Background

In response to numerous requests, the MP3IC Knowledge Sharing Symposium is being organised as a final capstone event for the MP3IC workshop series to profile MP3IC learning products ADBI has worked on together with MP3IC partners over the last year. The event will combine a series of face to face and virtual presentations on all aspects of MP3IC to clearly demonstrate the outputs produced to date and to consult with the target audience and delivery partners on the design and strategic next steps. MP3IC learning products to be profiled include:

- a. **MP3IC Global Learning Program Core Learning Components (CLCs)**: Basic Principles CLCs, Procurement CLCs and Legal CLCs;
- b. the **PPPI Country Readiness Index for Asia**;
- c. **PPP Country and Project Case Study Compendiums**; and
- d. the OECD Partnerships for Democratic Governance “**Handbook of Good Practices and Lessons on Contracting-Out in Fragile Situations**”, (which ADBI is also collaborating on).

The first day of the two-day program, entitled “**PPPs in the Global Context**”, will focus on the main characteristics of PPPs globally as well as country/sector-specific PPP modalities and design elements. Panel Session 1 and 2 will outline how PPPs are being implemented globally, and introduce the PPP Country Readiness Scorecard and outline how it can be utilised to identify and prioritise policy actions to strengthen PPP attractiveness. Panel Sessions 3 and 4 will compare the PPP legal, regulatory and institutional framework approaches which have been implemented by countries at different stages of PPP program development, highlighting strategic advantages and challenges.

The second day of the program is entitled “**Addressing the Challenges for PPP Delivery in Asia-Pacific**”. Panel Session 5 will examine the challenges of developing a pipeline of bankable PPP projects in the global market place. Panel Session 6 will provide an overview of PPP procurement and contract issues, focusing on how they differ from conventional public sector procurement. Panel Session 7 will look at PPP risk allocation and risk pricing examining pragmatic examples from Asia and globally. The final session, Panel Session 8, will discuss PPP country/sector-specific challenges of delivering PPPs in the Asia-Pacific region, reviewing project case studies from selected countries across the region that likely will include: Afghanistan, India, Pakistan, the Philippines, and Thailand. The session will close with a plenary discussion on global PPP knowledge sharing and learning products, providing an overview of what is underway and sharing views on best next steps.

## **Outputs**

The MP3IC Knowledge Sharing Symposium will profile and distribute a number of MP3IC knowledge products which have been completed, these will include:

- i. MP3IC learning components on Basic PPP Principles, PPP Procurement, and PPP Legal Issues;
- ii. the PPP country readiness index;
- iii. a number of PPP country case studies;
- iv. a number of PPP project case studies; and
- v. the Handbook of Good Practices and Lessons on Contracting-Out in Fragile Situations (which ADBI is collaborating on with OECD-PDG).

Event outputs will include:

- i. summary proceedings (summary findings and conclusions, as well as all presentations, video-clips and video sessions); and
- ii. event materials and outputs to be posted on the ADBI website and/or profiled in the ADBI quarterly newsletter.

## **Participants**

Leading senior or mid-level PPP/infrastructure (physical and social) policy makers or program/project managers, at the national and sub-national levels who are engaged in and/or responsible for infrastructure regulation, infrastructure planning and financing, infrastructure program/project design and implementation, and infrastructure service delivery in ADB developing member countries across the Asia Pacific region.

Of the total targeted, 50% or 20-30 national or sub-national level delegates (who meet the target audience criteria) will participate at ADB headquarters in Manila. The remaining 50% or 20-30 primarily sub-national level delegates will participate by video conference through links with 4-5 selected cities from across the Asia-Pacific region. City selection will be finalised based on confirmation of target audience interest and in consultation with the Cities Development Initiative Asia, and Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC).